

CHAPTER**32****Guided Reading Strategies 32.2****The Pacific Islands**

READING THE SECTION As you read the section, answer each of the following questions in the space provided.

1. How long ago might humans have lived on New Guinea? _____
2. Which of the Pacific Islands subregions has the most distinct culture? _____
3. To which Australian group of people do many Melanesians appear to be genetically linked? _____
4. Which Portuguese navigator sailed across the Pacific in 1520–21? _____
5. What countries did the United States take from Spain in 1898? _____
6. Why did the British bring workers from India to Fiji? _____

7. How many different languages are spoken on Papua New Guinea? _____
8. What are pidgin languages? _____

9. What is the main religion in the Pacific Islands today? _____
10. What is the main source of protein in the Pacific? _____

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, identify three root crops and three tree crops that were important to the Pacific Islands diet before Europeans came.

1. Root Crop: _____
2. Root Crop: _____
3. Root Crop: _____
4. Tree Crop: _____
5. Tree Crop: _____
6. Tree Crop: _____

Sinking Feeling: Nauru

1. Approximately, how big is Nauru? Where is it located?
2. Describe the ways that the people and government of Nauru are responding to this sinking feeling.
3. What other places in the world could also be threatened? What do you think needs to be done in these areas? Explain with reasons, details, facts.

SUMMARY:

OPINION:

RELEVANCE: